

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 10 July 1957	2. LOCATION Hartford, Connecticut	12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 10/2330Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar	
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE Military	
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 45 minutes	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	9. COURSE W to E
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One object unevenly round, 10 times larger than a star. Color brilliant white. Steady W to E course, seen through binoculars.		11. COMMENTS Probable balloon sighting.
<p>July 10, 1957: Many reports of object or objects from New England, incl. New Haven, Boston, and Brunswick, Me. AF Research Center at Cambridge identified object(s) as Moby Dick balloon, released at Vernalis, California (sic). — N. Y. World-Telegram & Sun, 7/11; Newark Star-Ledger, 7/11(AP); N. Y. Herald Tribune, 7/12.</p>		

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2604th Air Reserve Center		REPORT NO. 1	(Leave blank)
AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT			
COUNTRY OR AREA REPORT CONCERNS Connecticut		DATE OF INFORMATION 10 July 1957	
ACTIVITY SUBMITTING REPORT 2604th Air Reserve Center 476 Capitol Ave., Hartford 6, Conn		DATE OF COLLECTION 10 July 1957	SRI STATUS (If applicable)
PREPARING INDIVIDUAL Lt Col Frank F. Woolley Jr.		DATE OF REPORT 12 July 1957	SRI NO. CANCELED/COMPLETE
NAME OR DESCRIPTION OF SOURCE Brilliant White light		EVALUATION Approx 70,000	SRI NO. CANCELED/INCOMPLETE
REFERENCES (BAIR Subject, previous reports, etc., as applicable)		SRI NO. ACTIVE	
None			
SUBJECT (Descriptive title. Use individual reports for separate subjects)			
Compared with a star only 10 times or more larger.			
SUMMARY (Give summary which highlights the salient factors of narrative report. Begin narrative text on AF Form 112a unless report can be fully stated on AF Form 112. List inclosures, including number of copies)			
<p>The sighted object was a brilliant white light, it appeared to be unevenly round in shape and could be compared to a star except it was approximately ten times or more larger. Color was brilliant white with only one object in appearance. Course of object was West to East directly overhead, angle of elevation 50°, azimuth 90°, keeping steady West to East course. Object appeared in my sight for approximately forty five minutes and was visible from the ground and also sighted through binoculars. Zulu time date: 2330Z at dusk. The observer was located Latitude - 41° 43' N, Longitude 72° 39' W. No other observers, other than myself, at this location. Weather conditions were excellent with excellent visibility, weather station facilities were not available. Ceiling was unlimited. Nearest air traffic was at Brainard Field and this consisted of only light private planes.</p>			
<p><i>Object shows balloon release</i> <i>USMC needs info and location</i></p> <p>FRANK F. WOOLLEY, JR Lt Col, USAF Commander</p> <p>2330-5-8 1830 GCT</p> <p><i>Ballon</i> <i>028</i></p>			
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